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THE

WRITER OF THE FOLLOWING

Was Born July 23d, 1800; and

Departed this Life Feb 7th,

1842.

MY DEAR CHILDREN:

I have often thought you would like to know
some of the dealings of a kind Providence to-
ward your mother and for this reason will give
you a short sketch of my life. I have told you
the place of my birth, namely, Leesburg, London
Co., Va. My parents were respectable, my
father brought up in the Presbyterian Church,
though he never made a public profession, which
he deeply regretted in his death bed. We have
reason to hope and believe that his heart was
changed ere he died to earth. My mother's
parents were originally Quakers, and she was
reared in a correct manner, except that her
views with respect to a change of heart, and with
regard to some of the important ordinances of
the church were very limited indeed; but of this
hereafter. I pleased a wise God to remove my
father when I was about six years old, being the
oldest of three girls. He left a small inheritance,
but difficulties abounded, the Lord in His
Providence raised up friends to us one of our
maternal uncles, a sister Jane and myself to rear
and educate of which task she was fully com-
petent. My father's sister took the youngest Mar-
garet with whom she constantly lived or I ought
rather to say until she died, as they were scarcely
ever separate prior to that period. She early
joined the Church to which she belonged, and
was an exemplary Christian and died in the
faith, leaving three little children to the care
of her Heavenly Father, one has since died.
My sister Jane and myself were not suffered to
mish much in the world, or with those of our own
age and were taught a historical knowledge, and
educate in the best manner possible. It was
also expected that our practice would conform
to the knowledge we had attained; and not
knowing any of the evil of the world, we ap-
peared perfectly innocent, and were not conscious
of the innate propensity to me, which all
the race of Adam inherit. In this state I con-
tinued until my removal to a seminary for the
education of Young Ladies. I had been edu-
cated with a strict regard for truth, and endeav-
ored to walk in all the statutes of the law, hoping
thereby to regain the favor of God, but had little
knowledge of the bosom of the heart. "O Grace
we are saved through faith and that not of
ourselves, it is the gift of God. At the school
house above named I had more frequent
opportunities of discovering my guilty state
by nature for many had not received a religious
education and those who had did not seem to
know the value of the instructions they received.
Members of a church, but I think were deficient
as it regarded the religious instruction of their
pupils or boarders under their care. We were
required to tell the text when we came from
Church, and very often could not even remember
what we had said, and all this was necessary
for some direct reproach to me who it was
said made some pretensions to religion—and of
this I am now conscious—that a public boarding
school is no place, nor the institution for the
furtherance in religious knowledge, but is often
the means of looking at things in a false
and for my sake I would greatly prefer a
pious, exemplary private family to take charge
of her during the hours she is absent from
school. When I left this school I became the
inmate of a dear, departed and pious Uncle's
house, his wife was my sister, and having no
children with her but sister Margaret, felt
anxious to take me also and was never wearied
in her exertions for my welfare both temporal
and spiritual. Here I began to feel the necessity
of a better righteousness than I had hitherto
possessed, I read the shorter collections and
some religious books, attended a Bible Class and
made some small progress in knowledge. I now
felt disposed to join the Church and publicly
acknowledge my faith in Christ, but I fear my faith
was weak and wavering, and my understanding
not sufficiently enlightened. I had not come to
know and feel not by works of righteousness
which we have done, but according to His mercy
he saved us, by the washing of regeneration and
renewing of the Holy Spirit, but the Lord dis-
pelled the day of small things. I have reason to
believe gave me some sparks of grace. I was at
this time nearly sixteen years of age and with
the kind encouragement of my dear Uncle
commenced a Sunday School, though under very
laudable circumstances. It was something
quite new in the country towns and very un-
popular, however, I at length obtained about forty
scholars. It did not succeed at first, when I
was called to attend the bedside of a dying moth-
er. I staid with her during the last months of
her life. In the meantime the Sunday School
ceased, the children refusing to go unless I was
there. My mother had been in the school of af-
fliction for years and felt the utter insufficiency
of earthly things to produce that permanent hap-
piness, after which the soul so ardently longs.
She flew to the only refuge provided for guilty
man and found that which the world cannot give
and which it cannot take away. I never saw a
more devout, resigned Christian. Her constant
desire was to depart and be with Christ. She
learned patiently to wait His coming and left
the world in a triumphant hope of a glorious im-
mortality. She was truly a Bible taught Chris-
tian and learned the truths of our holy religion
thoroughly. Her opportunities of going to church
were few, I do not believe that she heard the
Gospel publicly preached often. She became
convinced of her true state by nature, (which
would have been to gratify her means of com-
fort to her), but God was pleased to grant her
the influence of His Holy Spirit and she learned

Christ and Him crucified from the blessed record
which he has in infinite mercy and goodness given
to fallen man. She had married a second
time and left four sons, trusting implicitly in the
kind protection of their Heavenly Father. The
eldest who was greatly afflicted died soon after
Mother, the others are living at present. After
my dear mother's burial I returned to Shepherd-
town, when I again commenced the Sunday
School with new delight and new hopes. It
succeeded from the work of the Lord, al-
though conducted by one of His weakest in-
struments for in spite of all its enemies it prospered
more and more and finally became very popu-
lar. The School was greatly increased, I was
delighted and obliged to call others to my as-
sistance, which I succeeded in gaining. They were
unanimous in electing me superintendent, which
situation I held until I was married. I had been
engaged four years in this delightful employment.
How deeply was I interested therein. I knew
not how to give up the dear children, and they
were equally loth to give me up, but Providence
directed my steps to this village and I left them
with ardent prayers that they might always have
the divine presence of Him who has said, "Suffer
little children to come unto me. When I came
to Williamsport religion was as I fear known but
a low ebb. There was no regular preaching in
our church or in any other but the Methodist.
They were very numerous and appeared to be in
a flourishing state. I believe now that I ought to
have commenced a Sunday School here but at
that time totally unacquainted with the people
and felt reluctant to commence on that account
and I have undertaken the work of a new man
came crowding upon me. After the birth of my
first child A. B. Cramer, I had a long attack of
fever and my health continued so delicate that it
was impossible for me to undertake it. Instantly
I lost my relish for such things, unfortunately
I suffered in declining my superintendency of making
me more assiduous in my religious duties and I
believe I was daily losing my first love.

In 1822 my sister Jane married a gay thought-
less man of the world who was emphatically a
lover of pleasure more than a lover of God he
was a most excellent husband however, and re-
spected religion in his heart, but he was not a
true Christian. I was often in his company together
with others who did not profess the religion of Jesus.
I felt sometimes assured that I was retrograding
and began to conform in a great measure to the
manners and customs of the world the winter af-
ter I married my second child J. K. C. there was
a great deal of gaiety here. I had gone to sever-
al of the parties and there was still a number in
agitation for one of which I was preparing with
anxiety when suddenly it entered my mind that
I was not preparing to enter eternally into a sub-
ject of a most solemn nature, I began to feel
my work and truly began in an instant one of
the most miserable creatures on earth. I felt as if
I was literally without hope and without God in
the world, I sent for two of my friends who were
professors of religion when they came I met them
in the deepest agony and with streaming tears
told them of my state and they were greatly con-
fused. I felt that I was in a most deplorable
situation, of my interest in Christ and that peace of
conscience which such an assurance must give.
They succeeded in getting my fears in some mea-
sure allayed, they thought my fears were ground-
less, that I was in delicate health and had be-
come weary of my long and long ago profession
my faith in Christ and advised me to go out more
than I did and banish such melancholy thoughts.
I resolved to do so, continued my preparations
for the party and was persuaded to go to each
succeeding and of course had to give an entertain-
ment to a large number of persons who had pre-
viously invited me. I felt happy, oh how happy
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of known duty we have been brought back either
by affliction in my own person, had health,
or death of a relative or relatives. But how
shall I record the situation that was now, how
shall I record your death of my ever
dear, dearest, my Margaret. Oh! how was
a severe trial such as I had never been called to
endure before. I felt as if I could not give her
up, could not in the true spirit of resignation
say "Thy will be done." I could not but feel
that I deserved correction, could not but feel
that I had been clinging too long to the crea-
ture instead of the Creator. I cried day and night
"Show me Oh Lord wherefore thou contendest
with me." Oh help to tear every idol from
thy throne and worship only thee. I was devo-
tely fond of this departed child, but Oh! it
was not only her temporal love I mourned, for
a time I was striven to contend to fear that she
was not happy. "Was this that brought deep
agony of soul, then conscience said have you dis-
charged your duty to her. Alas! who can say they
have left nothing undone for a long time every
avenue of hope or consolation seemed to be closed
against me and the deep waters of affliction
passed over my soul. No human comfort could
I find, but thanks be to the holy name Jehovah.
He at length caused the light of His countenance
to shine forth and enable me to come in His
mercy as well as his other glorious attributes.
Did I not read his holy word "Whoso calleth on
the name of the Lord shall be saved." Was not
the consummation of my dear child "Lord have mer-
cy on me." I knew it was the prayer of faith, then
why should I doubt. Does not my blessed Sav-
our say "Suffer little children to come unto me
and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom
of heaven."

Mysterious are the ways of Providence. My
Heavenly Father brought me into the valley of
deep humility and contrition on account of my
unfaithfulness; and in His good time each
step to rejoice in his promises not only with re-
gard to myself but also to my child. "For a
short time," He requires the improvement of that
talent only and now I believe that every child
who dies before the years of accountability is
freed from the curse of Adam's transgression, and
purified by the blood of the sacrifice and taken
to the regions of bliss for his sake only who
died for sinners. Thanks be to my God for the
bright hopes of immortality brought to light by
the Gospel. I think I can now say "Oh very
faithfulness hast thou afflicted me, Oh God."
He has called me in a way I trust never to be
forgotten, to give Him glory for ever and
forever. I always be enabled to say all that I am, all that
I have is thine; do unto me what ever thou
shalt think good. Oh for the spirit of submis-
sion and resignation to all the dispensations of
a wise Providence towards me. What cause of
unbounded gratitude, what cause of thanksgiving
shall I ever all things that are too high or
low in the scale of existence to call forth his
paternal care. Suffer me not, Oh my Father
ever to forget that I have felt thy paternal care
for, for I am thy creature, thy hand has
formed me, I know my heart my mind my
whole desire is to glorify my Redeemer, and
by all my walk and conversation, show to
the world that I have been with Jesus. Can
you my dear children wonder now at the deep
anxiety I often manifested for your eternal
salvation. Can you wonder that the cause of
Zion and the promotion of vital godliness is the
predominant desire of my heart. No, you cannot
when I tell you there is no happiness for me
unless I strive constantly to walk according
to the requirements of the blessed Gospel. Oh
forbid it Lord, that I should ever by any act
of life bring reproach upon that cause so
dear to my heart. Oh give me thy grace for
without it I can do nothing. Do not suppose this
is unwarranted zeal or enthusiasm. Oh no.
There is no middle way. If you are not for
Christ you are against Him. Oh that you
would embrace His holy Sacrament. Oh that you
would search diligently the Holy Scriptures—May
they be the guide of your life.

E. C.

STANZAS.

Now the Orb of day's just glowing,
With a resolute hue the mountains brow,
List! 'tis the hours for thought and feeling
List! 'tis the hours for thought and feeling.

Now the shades of eve are stealing,
All around the verdant glen;
'Tis the hours for passive feeling,
Wake! oh wake, my love again!

On the graceful willow bending,
Long thy silent life has hung;
And thy gentle spray is falling,
And thy gentle spray is falling.

On the sacred altar glowing,
Truth and Friendship's sweetly blending,
All thine lovely, all thine fair!
Sing Friendship's wreath unfading,
'Mid life's troubled waters roar,
Whilst on the sacred altar burning,
The heart's sweet incense pour!

Love and friendship, here beginning,
In Elysian fields above;
With rapt melody never ending,
Tune the hymn of love and hope.

When the sun of life's declining,
On the western sky of time;
On the arm of truth reclining,
Extol the view the heavenly clime!

E. C.

THE CURRENCY QUESTION.

While at Rolla this week we
stopped at the Grant Hotel as
usual. It is the resort of trav-
elers and others who want
first class accommodations, and
Caps. Shaw the genial proprie-
tor can always fill the bill. In
the evening the most brilliant
men of Rolla gather there to
discuss politics. We were aston-
ished at the amount of knowl-
edge some of these men seemed
to possess: such a thorough
elucidation of the currency ques-
tion, we have never before lis-
tened to the words "contraction"
and "inflation" seemed to be
always at their tongues' end,
ready to be said. As we listened
to some of them discourse so
feelingly, eloquently and path-
etically on the inflation of the
National currency, we could not
help feeling sad at the thought
of their inability and unwilling-
ness to inflate our pocketbook
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